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Public Updated On Cleanup Plans for Saginaw River

Dredging of PCB-Tainted River Sediment to be Completed by October 2000

Lisa Williams of the East Lansing Field Office presented an overview of an upcoming dredging project to remove contaminated river sediment from the Saginaw River at a November public information meeting in Bay City, Mich.

Representatives from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the Army Corps of Engineers, and Luedtke Engineering, Inc., were also present and helped answer questions about the project.

The dredging will remove 345,000 cubic yards of river sediment contaminated by PCBs. The dredging is the result of the Saginaw River and Bay Natural Resource Damage Assessment settlement obtained by the Service, the state of Michigan and the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe with General Motors and the Cities of Bay City and Saginaw.

The project will be managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers with oversight responsibility to be provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



Ohio Artist is 1999 Duck Stamp Winner

Adam Grimm, a 21 year-old art student, took top honors in the 1999 Federal Duck Stamp Art Contest sponsored by the Service. Grimm, a student at the Columbus College of Art and Design in Columbus, Ohio, is the youngest artist to ever win the contest. He is also the first artist to

win the contest to have also placed in the Junior Duck Stamp contest. Grimm's painting depicts a single mottled duck from behind, poised to take off from a sun-dappled pond. Judging was held Nov. 4 in Washington, D.C. For more about this year's contest, see page 2.

The Army Corps of Engineers awarded the contract for the dredging project to Luedtke Engineering, who will use a specially-designed gasketed clamshell dredge. Dredging operations will be enclosed by silt curtains. Turbidity in the water and PCB concentrations in the water and air will be monitored. The dredged material will be transported by barge to a nearshore Confined Disposal Facility (CDF) designed to contain sediment dredged from the navigation channel in the Saginaw River. The contractor is currently constructing a

subcell to contain the material from this project within one part of the CDF.

Once the subcell is completed, dredging in the river will begin. One of the five areas is expected to be completed this fall, before adverse weather halts work. The remaining areas are scheduled to be completed by mid-October of 2000.

In addition to dredging, the Saginaw River and Bay Natural Resource Damage Assessment

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Great Lakes Trout Restorations to Benefit From Continued Service Partnership With Keweenaw Bay Indian Community

Lake trout and coaster brook trout resources of the Great Lakes will benefit from an upcoming cooperative agreement between the Service and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community in Michigan. The Service's Ashland Fishery Resources Office is scheduled to sign a third fish agreement with the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community to employ the tribal hatchery as a broodstock isolation facility for Service fish restoration efforts in the Great Lakes. The new agreement continues the lake trout and coaster brook trout restoration partnership started by the Service and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community four years ago, and ensures the integration of fish health and fish genetics into the

Service's captive broodstock program. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Fish Hatchery initiated this two-year cooperative program in September 1995. During the first two years of the partnership, the Service asks for 2,000 fish of each year class. The tribal hatchery has isolated seven different lots of fish, making an estimated 14,000 fish available to the Service. The agreement also continues the partnership efforts included in previous agreements, such as the operation of a lake trout and coaster brook trout broodstock isolation facility at the Keweenaw Bay Fish Hatchery, and the production of 100,000 lake trout yearlings at the Iron River National Fish Hatchery in Iron River, Wis. The

partnership also includes Service support to the fish stocking priorities of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Fish hatcheries play an important role in managing interjurisdictional fishery resources and lake restoration efforts. Midwestern tribes have responded to the modern day challenges of multi-jurisdictional resource management in their unique role as users and managers of over 900,000 acres of reservation inland lakes, treaty ceded territories and the Great Lakes.

Partners in the project include: Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. (*Frank Stone, Ashland Fishery Resources Office*)

Ohio Art Student Earns Top Honors in Federal Duck Stamp Contest; Wisconsin Artist Places Second

Adam Grimm of Elyria, Ohio, bested 242 other entries to win the 1999 Federal Duck Stamp Contest judged Nov. 4, in Washington, D.C. Grimm's painting of a mottled duck will become the 2000-2001 Federal Duck Stamp, which goes on sale July 1, 2000.

Second place went to Terry Doughty

of Brookfield, Wis., for his acrylic painting of a black scoter. Paco Young of Bozeman, Mont., took third place with his acrylic rendition of a mottled duck. Both Doughty and Young have placed among the top 20 entries in the Federal Duck Stamp Contest in recent years.

In 1996, Grimm placed fourth in the

Junior Duck Stamp Contest.

Grimm said that he often spends time in the marsh observing ducks and other waterfowl.

"I have always been impressed by their movements," he said, "and I've always been interested in strong lighting." Grimm also noted that he benefitted from attending a Duck Stamp artists workshop sponsored by the Service.

The mottled duck is a close relative of both the mallard and the black duck, and also includes the bird once known as the Florida duck. Eligible species for next year's contest will be the American green-winged teal, black duck, northern pintail, ruddy duck, and American widgeon. By the year 2002, all North American waterfowl species will have appeared on the Duck Stamp at least once. (*From Service News Release*)

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Saginaw River Cleanup Explained

settlement includes the following major components: creation, restoration, or enhancement of lakeplain prairies and other coastal wetlands around the bay; restoration of marsh habitat in the Tobico Marsh area; acquisition of land to provide protected habitat for threatened and endangered species; establishment of an account for the restoration, study and monitoring of the Saginaw River and Bay watershed into the future;

construction of boat launches; funds and property use for the Green Point Environmental Learning Center in Saginaw; and reimbursement to state and federal governments for costs relating to studies and analysis of the watershed. Partners in the project include: Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (*Lisa Williams, East Lansing Field Office*)

Minnesota Valley NWR's First Photo Contest Draws 68 Entries

Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge sponsored its first photography contest: "Scenes of the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge" as part of its celebration of National Wildlife Refuge Week, October 10-17, 1999.

The contest was open to all ages and the only requirement was photos had to be taken on the Refuge. Co-sponsored by National Camera Exchange, Friends of the Minnesota Valley, and the Minnesota Nature Photography Club, the contest drew 68 entries.

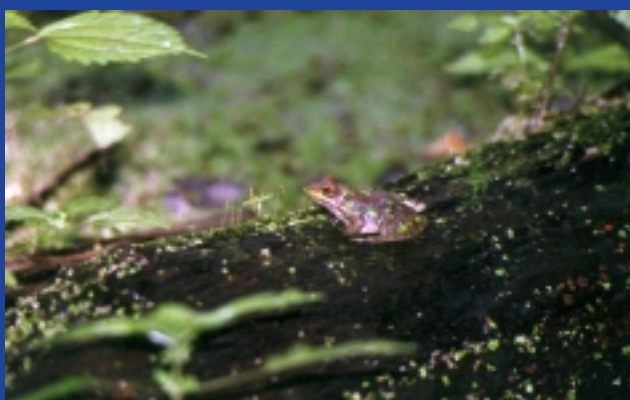
Best in Show was Sandi Pederson of Apple Valley, Minn., with a black and white photo of a Great Blue Heron. Ribbons were given to the winners in each of four categories: Plants, Wildlife, People, and Landscapes. (*Deb Gaunitz, Minnesota Valley NWR*)



Best of Show: "Blue Bird of Paradise" by Sandi Pederson.



Best Landscape: "Not Easy Being Green" by Kristin Perry.



Best Wildlife: "Bump on a Log" by Kristin Perry.



Best Plants: "Fungus Amongus" Meghan Hulting.



Best People: "Kieran," by Jane DuHoux.

East Lansing Partners to Share Great Lakes Protection Funds

Michigan Conservation Groups and University of Minnesota to Share \$280,000

The East Lansing Field Office recently received the first installment of a three year, \$280,000 grant from the Great Lakes Protection Fund, a national non-profit organization devoted to protecting Great Lakes resources.

These funds, received in early November 1999, will be distributed to several partners which include four Michigan conservation groups and the University of Minnesota.

The partners will launch a coordinated effort to preserve Michigan's

Great Lakes shoreline habitats and the species that depend on them including the federally endangered piping plover, dwarf lake iris, Houghton's goldenrod, and Pitcher's thistle.

Partners will use various approaches to protect lakeshore habitat, including public awareness and contact programs, piping plover research and nest protection, and development and preparation of educational materials.

Some groups will work with local governments to assist in developing laws and ordinances that would protect habitats from unregulated or uncoordinated use, growth, and development.

Partners include the Great Lakes Protection Fund; Michigan Land Use Institute; Whitefish Point Bird Observatory; The Nature Conservancy; University of Minnesota; Leelanau Conservancy. *(Mark Hodgins, East Lansing Field Office)*

Area Reporters Learn Benefits of Mississippi River Environmental Management Project

The Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recently joined reporters from area newspapers to view work on the \$346,000 Environmental Management Project on Long Lake near Trempealeau, Wis.

The Long Lake Environmental Management Project began in late October, and involves excavating a 760 foot channel between the upper Mississippi River main channel and Long Lake, and

installing a water control structure to regulate water flow into Long Lake. The project is designed to improve fish habitat by reducing, or eliminating oxygen depletion problems associated with the lake.

Service and Corps staff provided reporters from Winona and LaCrosse Tribunes and the Galesville Republican access to the construction site where they were updated on the project. *(Mary Stefanski, UMRNW&FR-LaCrosse)*

Refuge Partners Develop Public Use Map of Cypress Creek NWR

With help from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources' mapping equipment and funding from private citizens, staff at Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuge recently developed a large scale, four-color map of the southern Illinois Refuge.

The 24-inch x 36-inch map highlights property owned by the Refuge, The Nature Conservancy, and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and includes public accesses, roads and other topographical features.

The popular map is in great demand by hunters, wildlife watchers and local residents. The Citizens Committee to Save the Cache, the organization that helped print the map, is selling the map for \$2.50 each at the Refuge visitors center.

Partners in the project include: Illinois Department of Natural Resources and Citizen Committee members.

(Elizabeth Jones, Cypress Creek)

Public Awareness of Region's Migratory Bird Issues and Programs Goal of New Web Page

Region 3 now has a new and improved Migratory Birds Web page, accessible from Regional Home Page. This site gives an overview of the Regional Migratory Birds Program, and provides links to many national bird initiatives, including the North American Waterfowl Management Plan and Partners In Flight. The Frequently Asked Questions" section will answer

many common questions about birds and people's relationship with them. The new Web page will provide the public with greater awareness of migratory bird issues and access to current information about Service programs. The site can be accessed at URL:

<http://www.fws.gov/r3pao/level1/birds>

(Barb Pardo, NAWM)

Alpena Volunteers Contribute 12,750 Hours to Service Fishery Projects During Fiscal Year 1999

One hundred and thirty-one volunteers contributed a total of 12,750 hours to projects at the Alpena Fishery Resources Office during Fiscal Year 1999.

The donated time provided an estimated \$120,750 worth of labor to Service fishery projects during the year.

Volunteers worked on lake sturgeon restorations, wetland and watershed habitat restorations on private and Service lands, aquatic nuisance species monitoring, and Refuge fishery management.

Michigan-state licensed and Tribal commercial fishers collected bio-

logical data from lake sturgeon they encountered during normal operation of their trap net fisheries.

Boy Scouts and Saginaw, Mich., area conservation clubs helped detect presence of exotic round goby on the Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge.

Members of the Thunder Bay River Watershed Restoration Committee trained and supervised work crews restoring stream bank erosion sites.

Most of these projects would not have been possible without the assistance of dedicated volunteers.

Volunteer partners include: Lentz Fishery, Barbueau Fishery, Bay Port Fish Company, Serafin Fishery,

Whytes Fishery, Grosse Ile Sportsmans Club, DownRiver Wall-eye Federation, Trenton Sportsmans Club, Friends of the Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, Michigan United Conservation Club District 10, Boy Scouts of America Troop 101, Shiawassee Flats Advisory Council, Saginaw Field and Stream Club, Thunder Bay River Watershed Restoration Committee, Upper Black River Watershed Restoration Committee, Devils River Watershed Restoration Committee, and Friends of the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge. *(Tracy Hill, Alpena FRO)*

Regional Director Recognizes "Plush Pup" Partnership; \$785,000 Raised to Purchase Prairie Wetland Habitat

In an era where few conservation agencies can afford to go it alone to conserve natural resources, partnerships are becoming more important than ever.

Long-time Service partners Pheasants Forever, Gander Mountain and "Ron Schara's Minnesota Bound" were recently recognized for their innovative efforts to promote prairie wetland habitat. Regional Director Bill Hartwig presented plaques of appreciation to Kelly Jo Weiner, operations manager of Ron Schara Enterprises; Steve Jensen of Gander Mountain and Joe Duggan, public affairs director of Pheasants Forever during a brief awards ceremony at the Regional Office November 18.

Pheasants Forever, working with Ron Schara of "Minnesota Bound," and "Raven," his black lab, produced small, stuffed "Raven plush pups" that were sold at Gander Mountain stores. Through the sale



Conservation Partners. Pictured (from left) Kelly Jo Weiner, operations manager, Ron Schara Enterprises; Regional Director Bill Hartwig; Steve Jensen, Gander Mountain marketing department; and Joe Duggan, public affairs director, Pheasants Forever. *(Photo by Scott Flaherty)*

of 10,000 pups, \$50,000 was raised and matched by partners to form a North American Wetlands Conservation Area grant of \$785,000 to

purchase 2,500 acres through a prairie wetlands heritage conservation initiative. *(Dan Sobieck, External Affairs)*

Young Hunters Practice Hunting Ethics and Safety During Youth Waterfowl Hunt at Horicon NWR

Thirteen youths--five girls and eight boys-- recently participated in the youth waterfowl hunt at Horicon NWR. The special hunt was conducted over three mornings in late October, with each party hunting one morning.

Twenty ducks were taken, consisting of mallards, pintails, ruddy ducks, green-winged teal, wood ducks, blue-winged teal, shovelers, wigeon, and ring-necked ducks.

Before participating in the special hunt, youths must have completed hunter safety and participated in a local

Ducks Unlimited Greenwing Days or Wisconsin Waterfowl Association Waterfowl Skills Clinic. Both clinics cover waterfowl identification, use of decoys and duck calls, building blinds, hunting regulations, and ethics.

The hunt on Horicon NWR allows the young hunters to practice these new skills and knowledge without having to compete with experienced, adult hunters. The skills and knowledge are further encouraged by additional rules to the hunt such as no pass shooting, shot limits and reduced shooting hours.

The goal of the program is to introduce new hunters to the sport in a safe and ethical manner.

Adult sponsors who accompanied the young hunters were not allowed to hunt.

Partners in the project include: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Ducks Unlimited Greenwings Program - Plymouth Chapter, Wisconsin Waterfowl Association - Beaver Dam Chapter.

(Diane Penttila, Horicon NWR)

Detroit Lakes WMD Helps Open Minnesota's First Birding Trail

Wildlife Biologist Les Peterson participated in the grand opening of Minnesota's first official birding trail October 6, 1999, in Fergus Falls, Minn.

"The Minnesota Pine to Prairie Birding Trail" runs along a 230-mile corridor from Fergus Falls in the south to Warroad, Minn., in the north.

A brochure is being developed to highlight the best birding opportunities available along the trail.

The birding trail was developed through a partnership of five northwestern Minnesota communities, four National Wildlife Refuges, two Wetland Management Districts, the Lakes Area Birding Club," and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. The trail will encompass good birding spots on Service waterfowl production areas and National Wildlife Refuges. *(Les Peterson, Detroit Lakes WMD)*



Waterfowl Hunter

Fourteen year-old Amber Coates takes up position with her dog in a hunting blind on a waterfowl production area near Willmar, Minn. Coates was among hundreds of youth who participated in special youth waterfowl hunts throughout the Region in October. *(Photo by Jim Leach)*

Service Exotics Survey Tracks Growth of Eurasian Ruffe and Round Goby at Ports in Lake Huron

Alpena Fishery Resources Office conducted its annual survey for Eurasian ruffe, round goby, and other exotic species at Lake Huron shipping ports during September and October.

Ten Michigan ports were sampled from Port Dolomite near Cedarville, to the Saginaw River mouth in Essexville.

The survey was conducted with bottom trawling gear. Surveyors spent approximately 30 minutes working each location. Ashland Fishery Resources Office provided its trawling vessel to assist in the surveillance effort.

The survey revealed no new locations of ruffe, however, a persistent

population of ruffe was confirmed in the Thunder Bay River near Alpena, Mich. Ruffe were first found there in 1995 by the Ashland FRO staff.

This year, the relative abundance of ruffe from the Thunder Bay River was 12 times that found in 1998 - an extreme increase from population growth in past years.

Round goby were captured at two new locations and continue to persist at one location. Round goby were newly captured from the Thunder Bay River and from the National Gypsum port near Tawas; their population in the Saginaw River appears to be growing as multiple year classes were captured this year.

Exotics surveys are used to deter-

mine the current range and status of ruffe and goby populations in Lake Huron.

This survey is conducted as part of the Ruffe Control Plan. Information gained by surveys includes the presence of ruffe and goby, their population characteristics including age composition, and baseline information on the native fish community present.

Baseline information on the fish community is important to provide data prior to exotic species invasion that will aid in determining the affect or potential impact exotics have on native fish communities. *(Anjanette Hintz, Alpena FRO)*

Twin Cities Tree Trust Rehabilitates Hiking Trail at Minnesota Valley NWR

The Twin Cities Tree Trust is nearing completion of the installation of 60 water bars on the half-mile mile hiking trail at the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center.

The trail has required an excessive amount of maintenance over the years due to steep slopes, and severe gully erosion.

The Tree Trust, a private organization that provides work opportunities for at-risk youth, has provided crews and crew leaders to complete numerous public use projects on the Refuge for over 15 years. *(Terry Schreiner, Minnesota Valley NWR)*

Alpena FRO Collects Walleye Young For Michigan's Lake Huron Stocking Study

Staff from the Alpena Fishery Resources Office is helping the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in its study of hatchery contributions to walleye populations in the State's waters.

Service staff collected young-of-the-year and yearling walleye from the Saginaw River, Au Gres River, and Thunder Bay for the study, which will evaluate the contribution of stocked fingerlings to walleye populations in those waters.

Stocked walleye were marked in the hatchery with oxytetracycline hydrochloride (OTC) which leaves a fluorescent mark on the fish's bony structures. The Michigan DNR will examine walleye for signs of OTC mark-

ing to determine which fish are hatchery stocks.

Information collected allows the DNR to determine the impact of fingerling walleye stockings in these areas and evaluate the extent of the fish's natural reproduction in these areas. Results of the study will contribute to future stocking methodologies (stocking densities, timing of stocking, size of stocked fingerlings, and location of stockings).

Alpena FRO has been assisting Michigan with this project since 1998, and is able to provide walleye for the study that otherwise would not be collected.

(Anjanette Hintz, Alpena FRO)

New Format For Accomplishment Report Listing Explained

There's a new format for listing accomplishment reports in "Inside Region 3." The format change involves how reports are numbered, and dated.

The new version of ARS automatically numbers each report as it is received from the field. This number stays with the report no matter how many times it is edited or updated. It is the most efficient method of numbering reports. Because not all reports received by the system are useable (due to mistakes, timeliness and relevance) numbers in the published list will ap-

pear out of sequence. In previous listings, sequential numbers were manually assigned to each report by the ARS manager. To avoid confusion in report numbering, only the system-assigned numbers will be used. The system-assigned number appears atop each report headline.

Accomplishment dates are also being added to the listing. This will make it easier for readers to find copies of reports when searching for them in the ARS.

Not all reports received by the ARS

are used in Inside Region 3. As reports arrive, they are first read for content and downloaded and edited. A limited number are then used in Inside Region 3.

Those reports processed during the publication period (normally 2-3 weeks) are listed in each publication.

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(Scott Flaherty, ARS Manager)

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